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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: CONTROL OF DESERT LOCUST

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1. STRONG U.S. CONCERN ABOUT HUMAN AND ECONOMIC IMPACT OF MAJOR LOCUST OUTBREAK WAS CONVEYED TO DIRECTOR, AFRICAN AFFAIRS AT MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AS INSTRUCTED REFTEL. DIRECTOR OMAR YOUSIF BARIDU SAID SUDANGOV SHARES CONCERN AND IS AWARE THAT LACK OF SECURITY IN BREEDING AREAS IS MAJOR REASON FOR THIS YEAR'S SERIOUS THREAT FROM SWARMS OF DESERT LOCUST. BARIDU SAID MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE HAS LOCUST CONTROL AGENCY WHICH OPERATES INSIDE SUDAN AND IN ADDITION COOPERATES WITH EAST AFRICAN COUNTRIES ON TECHNICAL AND OPERATIONAL LEVEL. HE IS NOT AWARE OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR FOREIGN COOPERATION BUT AGREED TO FIND OUT WHETHER PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN ENCOUNTERED WHICH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS COULD HELP RESOLVE.

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2. BARIDU ALSO ACCEPTED SUGGESTION THAT TRUCE BE DISCUSSED WITH ERITREANS AND COMALIA TO PERMIT LOCUST CONTROL MEASURES TO BE TAKEN WITH SAFETY. HE SAID HE WOULD SEND SUGGESTION TO PRESIDENCY AND WOULD MEANWHILE RAISE POSSIBILITY WITH NORMAL DIPLOMATIC CONTACTS. BARIDU THOUGHT THAT DISCUSSIONS WITH ERITREAN GROUPS WOULD BE "STILL DESIRABLE" ALTHOUGH ETHIOPIANS HAVE RECENTLY REDUCED AMOUNT OF TERRITORY

THEY CONTROL.

3. WILLINGNESS OF USG TO CONSIDER ASSISTANCE FOR LOCUST CONTROL MEASURES WAS WELCOMED BY BARIDU WHO WILL CHECK WITH MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE. HE DID NOT BELIEVE NEED EXISTED SINCE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS HAD NOT BEEN INFORMED OF ANY.

4. COMMENT: IN ADDITION TO ABOVE, I HAVE PASSED OUR VIEWS BY LETTER TO NIMEIRI. INTEND RAISE SUBJECT WITH DR. BAHU EL-DIN IDRIS, MINISTER PRESIDENCY AFFAIRS. HE HAS BEEN OUT OF TOWN AND I HAVE REQUEST IN TO SEE HIM ON OTHER MATTERS INCLUDING NIMEIRI VISIT TO U.S.
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